## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

(Currently Amended) A method for organizing multiple accounts,
 comprising:

assigning labels to each account from a predefined label set;

defining some of the multiple accounts as first Alternate Control Accounts associated with a first Accounting Standard that is defined using labels from the label set;

a computer system receiving data matched with labels from the label set;
the computer system posting the received data to the first Alternate Control
Accounts, based on the labels matched to the received data; and

assigning at least one Attribute to at least one of a) one of the multiple

accounts, b) a sub-account of one of the multiple accounts, and c) an entry in one of
the multiple accounts, wherein the Attribute has a logical pointer to at least one

Attribute Group ID or Attribute Center.

- 2. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the label set comprises Assets, Liabilities, Revenues, Expenses, Owner's Equity, and Cost of Sales.
- 3. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 2, wherein the label set comprises Liquid Assets, Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable, Trade Revenues,

Trade Expenses, Operating Cash Flow, Financing Cash Flow, and Investing Cash Flow.

- 4. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, comprising assigning an account classification label to an account.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 4, comprising selecting the account classification label from an account classification label set comprising Customer, Supplier, Rent, Utilities, and Commissions.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 4, comprising assigning multi-level classification to labels to an account.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 6, comprising selecting the sub-classification label multi-level classification labels from a set comprising details about elements in the account classification label set.
  - 8. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, comprising:

the computer system displaying a Beginning Balance Sheet sequence, a

Balance Sheet Transfer and Adjustment sequence, an Income Statement sequence,

a Cash an Indirect Cash Statement sequence, and an Ending Balance Sheet

sequence aligned side-by-side; and

the computer system organizing all elements in the sequences so that all corresponding elements in the sequences are aligned in the same row.

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- 9. (Previously presented) The method of 8, comprising organizing all the elements in each sequence in accordance with an ordering of one of the sequences.
- 10. (Previously presented) The method of 9, wherein the ordering is of the Ending Balance Sheet sequence.
- 11. (Previously Presented) The method of 9, comprising organizing all the elements in each sequence in accordance with an ordering selected by a user.
- 12. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the first Alternate Control Accounts are Control Accounts for the first Accounting Standard.
- 13. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the first
  Alternate Control Accounts are linked to other Alternate Control Accounts associated
  with other Accounting Standards and the method comprises:

automatically reflecting the received data from the first Alternate Control

Accounts into the other Alternate Control Accounts based on the links between the

Alternate Control Accounts.

14. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 13, wherein the associations between the Alternate Control Accounts and the corresponding Accounting Standards identify the Alternate Control Accounts by <u>at least one of account type labels and/or and account nature labels</u>.

- 15. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 13, wherein the links between the Alternate Control Accounts identify the Alternate Control Accounts by <u>at least one of account type labels and/or and account nature labels.</u>
  - 16. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, comprising: a user matching labels from the label set to the data.
- 17. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 16, wherein the label set comprises labels defined by a user.
- 18. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein at least one of the labels matched to the received data is linked to at least one of the other labels in the label set.
- 19. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 18, comprising:
  receiving at least one first label from a user;
  collecting all data matched to the at least one first label and all data matched to labels linked to the at least one first label; and displaying the collected data.
- 20. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein at least one of the labels matched to the received data is linked to a plurality of the labels in the label set.

21. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the entered data represent transactions, and at least one of the multiple accounts is a Smart Account having a rule set associated with it that defines transactions and defines posting rules associated with the defined transactions, the method comprising:

the Smart Account recognizing a transaction defined in the rule set based on the corresponding labels matched to the received data; and

the Smart Account posting the recognized transaction in accordance with the associated posting rules.

- 22. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 21, wherein the Smart Account posts parts of the transaction to different accounts in accordance with the associated rules.
- 23. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 22 Claim 21, wherein the different accounts are Alternate Control Accounts associated with different accounting standards.
- 24. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 21, wherein the Smart Account is an Alternate Control Account.
- 25. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 21, wherein the posting rules identify one or more accounts to which an identified transaction will be posted, by at least one of account type labels and/or and account nature labels.

- 26. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 21, wherein the Smart Account posts an identified transaction in parts, each part with a different date.
- 27. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 26, wherein the different parts and corresponding dates are consistent with a depreciation schedule or an amortization schedule.
- 28. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 26, wherein the parts and different dates distribute prepaid income over a period of time.
- 29. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 21, wherein the Smart Account posts an identified transaction in parts, each part with a different future date.
- 30. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 21, wherein the Smart Account posts an identified transaction to a future date.
- 31. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the received data include financial data and non-financial data.
- 32. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the multiple accounts are organized based on the assigned labels.

33. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein the multiple accounts comprise a control account, wherein the multiple accounts comprise a control account comprises a sub-account, and the sub-account comprises an element, the method comprising:

displaying the control account;
displaying a sub-account in the control account; and
displaying details regarding the element in the sub-account.

- 34. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 33, wherein the displaying steps are each performed in response to a user's selection.
  - 35. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, comprising: receiving a date selection indicating a time period; receiving an account selection; and displaying activity in the selected account from the selected time period.
  - 36. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, comprising: receiving an account selection;

receiving a date selection indicating a point in time for each account in the account selection; and

displaying for each account in the account selection, an account value on the point in time.

37. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, comprising:

receiving goals and rules linking financial data with non-financial data; identifying, via the assigned labels and the matched labels, ones of the multiple accounts and posted data relevant to the received goals and rules; and modeling changes to the identified accounts and identified posted data that achieve the received goals and rules.

- 38. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 37, comprising: identifying activities associated with the identified accounts and identified posted data.
  - 39. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 37, comprising: adjusting the modeled changes in response to inputs from a user.
- 40. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, comprising: based on the labels assigned to the multiple accounts, assigning Consolidation Numbers to the multiple accounts;

extracting information from the accounts; and
placing the extracted information into at least one Consolidation Account
based on the Consolidation Numbers of the accounts from which the information was
extracted.

41. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 40, comprising:

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placing extracted information from one of the multiple accounts into a Consolidation

Account identified by the Consolidation Number assigned to the one of the multiple

accounts.

42. (New) The method of Claim 1, wherein the at least one Attribute is a

Virtual Attribute.

43. (New) The method of Claim 1, wherein the at least one Attribute is an

Active Attribute.

45. (New) The method of Claim 1, wherein each of the labels comprises an

Attribute Group ID that includes logical pointers to Attributes associated with the

Attribute Group ID.

46. (New) The method of Claim 1, wherein each of the labels comprises an

Attribute Group ID that includes a logical pointer to an Attribute Group definition that

has links to Attributes associated with the Attribute Group ID.

47. (New) The method of Claim 1, wherein the Attribute Center is a Virtual

Attribute Center.

48. (New) The method of Claim 1, comprising:

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logically locking related entries across the multiple accounts by inserting a code into a lock table, wherein the code indicates at least one Attribute relating the locked entries.